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TO: 2016 U.S. Senior Amateur Championship Sectional Qualifying Contestants
FROM: Rusty Harder, Carolinas Golf Association
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TOPIC: High Point Country Club US Senior Amateur Qualifying Information

Starting Time

Starting Times have been posted for the USGA Senior Amateur Qualifier on Monday, August 29 at High Point Country Club (Willow Creek) in High Point, NC. [Click here for pairings.](#) There are 2 courses associated with High Point Country Club, **The qualifier will take place the Willow Creek course.**

Player Information and Scoring

<http://www.ghintpp.com/carolinan/golf/TPPOnlineGolfer/EventLanding.aspx?ID=1774>

New Grooves Rule Condition of Competition in Effect for U.S. Amateur Contestants

In Sectional Qualifying and in the Championship proper, the player's clubs must conform to the groove specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010. The condition of competition is available for review on the U.S. Open Championship entry application. The USGA and R&A have created a reference resource called the Informational Club Database to assist golfers in determining whether their irons, hybrids and fairway woods comply with the New Grooves Rule Specifications. For information about and to access the database, please use the following link: <http://www.usga.org/InfoClubsDB/intro.html>

*Penalty for Carrying, But Not Making Stroke with, Club or Clubs in Breach of Condition: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.

*Penalty for Making Stroke with Club in Breach of Condition: Disqualification

Distance Measuring Devices

In Sectional qualifying and in the Championship proper, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used. If a player obtains distance information by using a multi-functional device, refer to Appendix IV for additional guidance. To see a video and learn more about conformance issues related to the Local Rule, visit www.usga.org/dmd.

Caddies, Pull-Carts and Spectators

Automotive transportation is permissible only for players during Sectional Qualifying rounds and during the Championship proper. Only two carts are allowed per group. Caddies must walk at all times during a stipulated round. You are responsible for providing your own caddie. Caddies will not be available at the course. You may rent a cart or carry your own bag during the qualifying round; personal pull carts are NOT allowed. Willow Creek has 8 pull carts available on a first come first serve basis. Penalty for Caddie Breaching Transportation Rule: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach has occurred; Maximum Penalty per Round: Four strokes.

Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player's cart at any time. The USGA does not allow spectator carts during qualifying rounds or the championship proper for any reason.

USGA Policies

The USGA prohibits the use of cellular phones during qualifying and championship rounds. Traditional metal spikes are not allowed. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification. The "One-Ball" rule will be in effect. A score card is deemed official once the player leaves the scoring area.

High Point Country Club (Willow Creek) Information

PGA Golf Professional: Jim Brotherton

Superintendent: David Johnson

Club Physical Address: 916 Abbotts Creek Church Rd, High Point, NC 27265

Club Website: <http://www.hpcountryclub.com/>

Golf Shop Phone: 336-869-2416

Course Architect: William Byrd (1964)

Locker Room: Players will have full access to the men's locker room.

Dress Code: Shirts must have a collar, shirts must be tucked-in; hat brims face forward, no denim, no cargo pants or cargo shorts, soft-spike shoes. Policy is for players, caddies and spectators.

Coolers: Personal coolers are not allowed.

Cell Phones: Except for emergencies and rulings and viewing tournament leaderboard, cell phone use is not allowed on the golf course during championship rounds. Cell phone use is allowed outside the clubhouse or in the parking lot. Please turn your phone to silent-mode when on club property.

Practice Round/Cart Fees

You are entitled to **one** practice round on August 16-19, 23, 25-26 anytime, or August 27-28 after 1pm when tee times are available. There is a **mandatory** \$35.00 cart/range fee for the practice round. You may call the golf shop beginning August 1 to schedule a practice round tee time. Make sure to identify yourself as a U.S. Senior Amateur Championship participant. It would be helpful if you contact other participants and make your own game before calling. Cart fee for players on August 29 is \$25.00 and includes range fee. Players who walk during the qualifying do not owe a fee to the club on August 26. Please check-in with the golf shop when you arrive and pay your appropriate fees **BEFORE** you begin play!

Food and Beverage

The grill in the clubhouse will be open for food and beverage service. **Club accepts Credit Card ONLY for food and beverage.**

Course Yardage (73.3/139) Note: Yardage is subject to change.

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yardage	397	392	178	509	349	410	494	170	386	3285	548	167	392	383	406	404	174	494	397	3365	6650
Par	4	4	3	5	4	4	5	3	4	36	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	5	4	36	72

Lodging

There are several hotels in the High Point/Archdale area, check online for the best rates.

Qualifying Spots and Playoffs

3 qualifying spots and 2 alternate positions at available at this qualifying site. An on-course playoff will be used to determine final qualifying and alternate position order. Players are responsible for making themselves available at the scoreboard to receive playoff information.

Qualifying Schedule**August Various**

Course available for practice. Must call in advance for tee time.

August 29

Qualifying round: 18 holes of stroke play. Playoffs for qualifying spots and alternates immediately following play.

August 30

Rain Date (if necessary).

Directions to Willow Creek

[Click Here for Directions](#)

Withdrawals

Contact the USGA Championship Administration Department at 908-234-2300 or [via this link](#) to officially withdraw and receive a refund.

Pace of Play Policy

Groups out of position and over the pace times printed on the official scorecard will be put on the clock. A player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds is subject to a warning and will be so advised. The player will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds on one more occasion will result in a penalty of one stroke. A third violation will result in a two stroke penalty, followed by disqualification. A player's time to play begins when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball and when it is the player's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than one competitor in a group may be penalized.

Important Phone Numbers

United States Golf Association

908-234-2300

Willow Creek Country Club

336-869-2416

Carolinas Golf Association

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